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Department informing British Embassy today that we have information Alsop now has French position regarding Point D of Contingency Plan in detail, including French text. We informing British Embassy there is strong possibility this will appear in print within next few days. We are stressing that Department has no knowledge concerning origin of recent stories regarding contingency planning and that we are concerned over them and hope Department's lack of guilt in this respect will be passed on to appropriate levels in British Government. Embassies London and Paris may in their discretion use gist of above in conversations with Fonoffices. (FYI: Department believes Alsop had access to British and French Embassy sources in Washington. END FYI)

Same press guidance will be used for only if asked comment by Department spokesmen as contained in reference telegram from the Department. If asked spokesmen will also add that Department has no knowledge origin of these stories.

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